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# First Part
## First Approach to the Country and the People

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## I. The Country

### A Name

101 The existence of Seksawa, or Iseksawan, is attested to for at least eight centuries in the same valley of the Haut-Atlas /High Atlas/. By this name, now, are recognized among themselves, and distinguished from others, some dozen little communities
101 grouped in the same fluvial basin. These syllables evoke a multi-
619 tude of traits of character, of tradition, of institutions: hence a personality. But no genealogical synthesis at all to account for it. Although the Seksawa legend is not unaware of the theme of the hero, or even of the eponymous ancestor, no explanation of this kind is alleged for the ensemble. The diversity of ancestry, a proclaimed heterogeneity are inseparable from the profession of Seksawa.

101 Hence the name does not imply here any rule of kinship. It is reduced to a simple verbal notation with a content that is

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Fig. 1. -- The Seksawa in relation to the Mediterranean basin.

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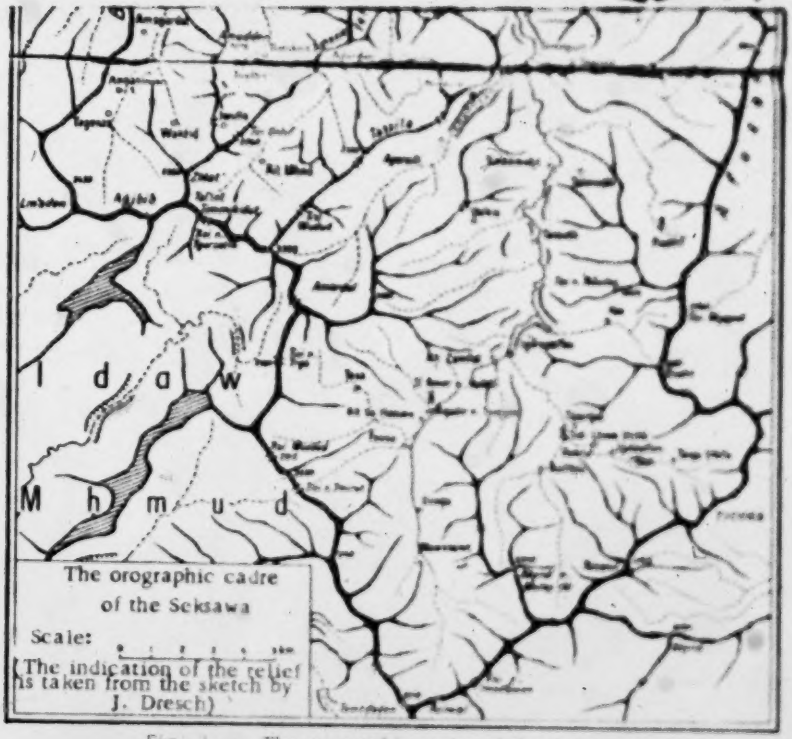


Fig. 1. -- The orographic cadre of the Seksawa.

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487 gradually becoming opaque. The low valley will be only a cor-
484 ridor, an outlet, an appendix, or any other metaphorical equiva-
804 lent that one might wish to apply to it.
823 Consequently, how much is not explained by either the history of the fourteenth century, which shows us the expansion coming from the highlands, or the more recent history, which has reconstituted on these same altitudes, thanks to the conquering
177 afflux of people from the South, new bases of expansion! /15/ In
178 the same way, the true Seksawa life will only keep its accuracy,
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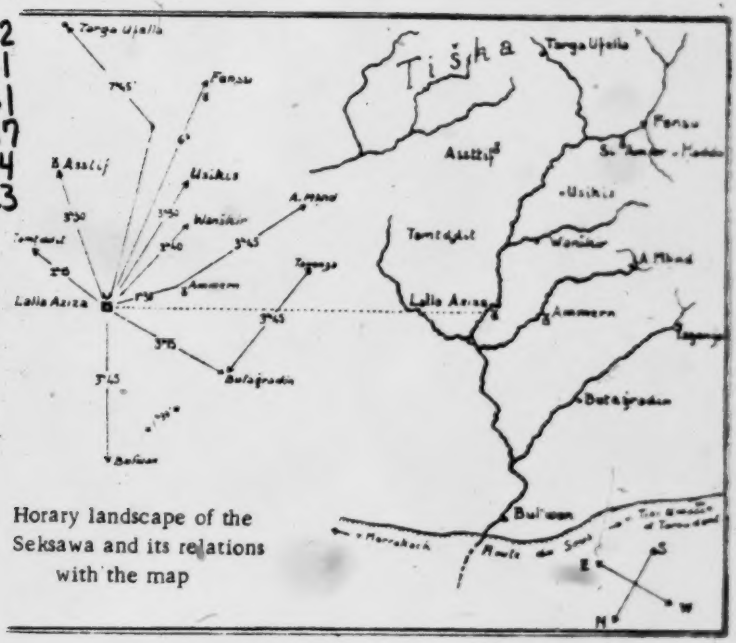


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Fig. 4. -- The Taqbilt-s, cantonal division of the Seksawa ensemble

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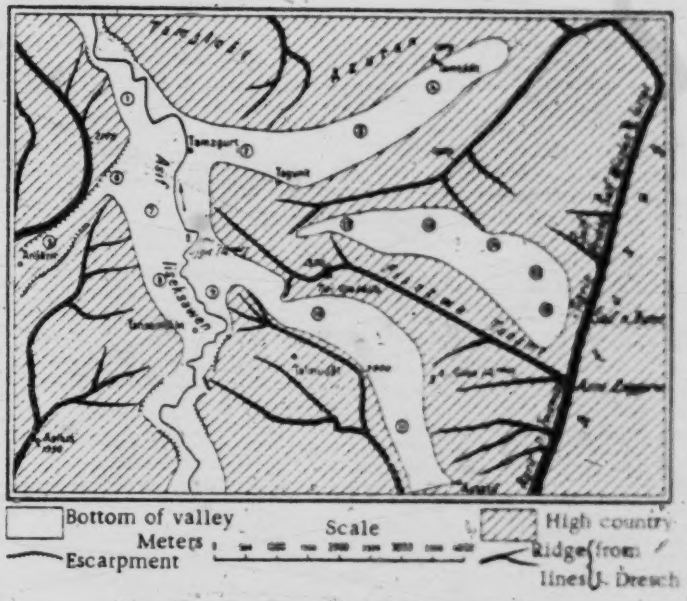


Fig. 5 - Grounds of the Moyen-Seksawa

1. Tagasit. — 2. Agella w-ad'o. — 3. Tamlelt. — 4. Igherm. — 5. Imaranan. — 6. w-Izgaren. — 7. i-yggiz. — 8. Jjgit. — 9. Tisserdan. — 10. Amlal i-ykiram. — 11. Imi Wussttif. — 12. Tighrin. — 13. Tannsmt. — 14. Rekto. — 15. Amlal n-Gfer. — 16. Tkemi.

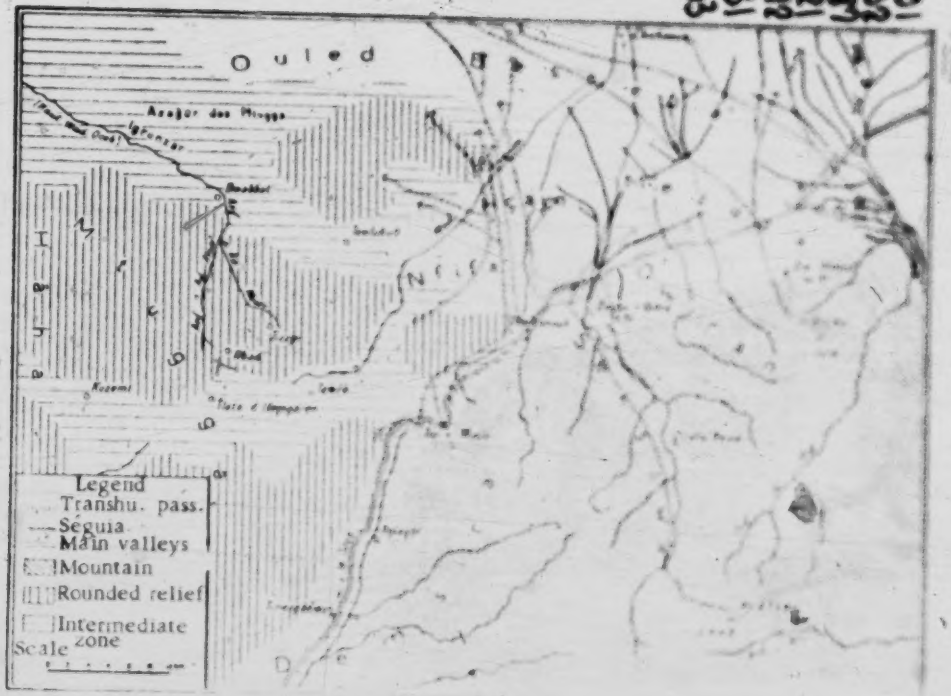


FIG. 6. — Plain-mountain liaisons

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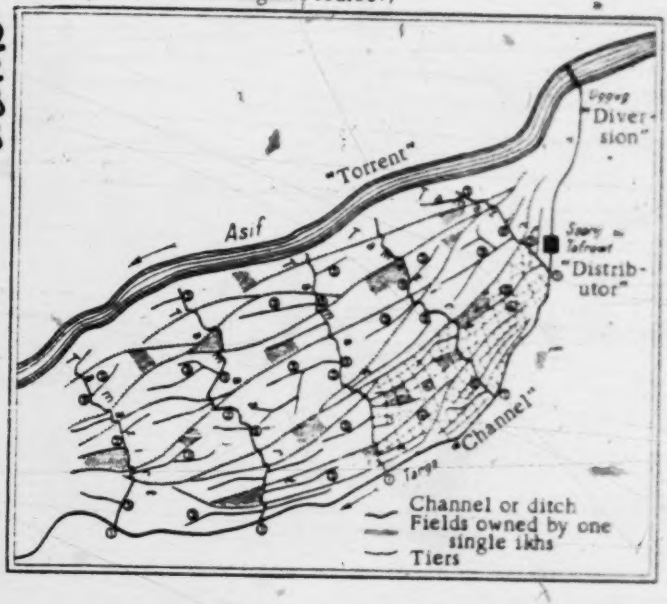


Fig. 7. -- Schema of the irrigation of a valley ground.

Thé "channel," targa, leaves from the ccarij, or chcharij, "distributor." It is divided into "distribution ditches," asaru, 2, plur. isura, which leave from "principal intakes," acder, plur. icdar or icdran, or further ighin, plur. ighaniwin, 1. On these ditches function small earthen sluices, taghamut, 5, plur. tighuma, opening on the "discharging ditches," isura, 3. Irrigation planches, tisirit, tisaratin, are themselves divided into a last agrarian subdivision, the "irrigation square," uzun, plur. uzunen, 4.

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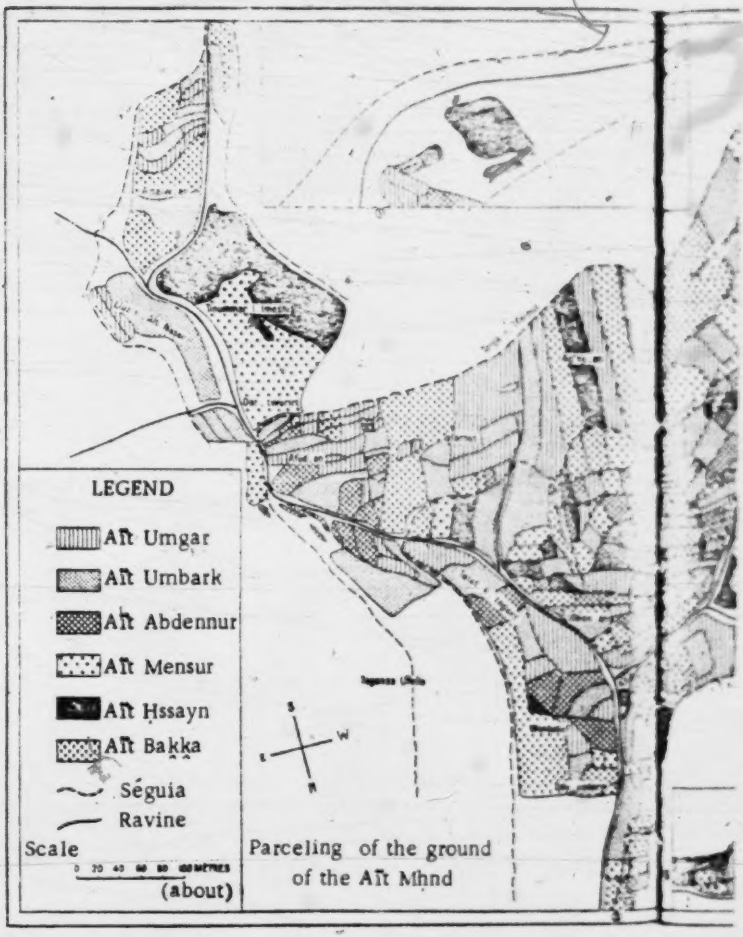

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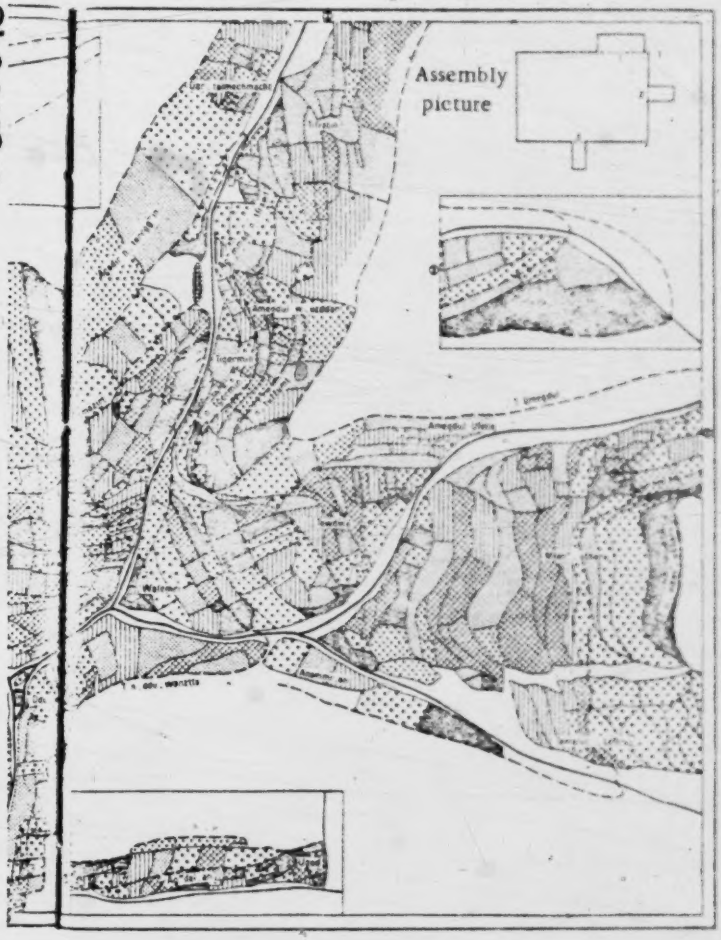

## [Ait Musa Ufella]

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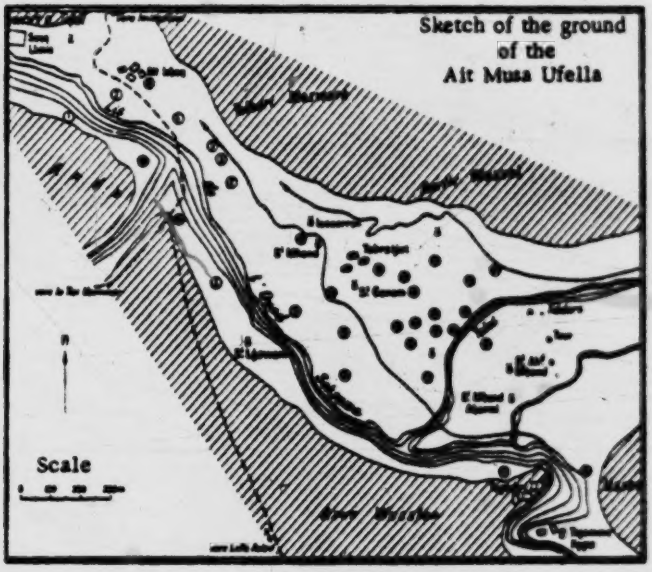


**Fig. 9. -- The basin of Tabratjut (ait Musa Ufella).**
**The numbers refer to the names of quarters shown in the tables in the text. /vers, "toward"; Lit de l'Oued Seksawa, "Bed of the Seksawa Wadi."/**

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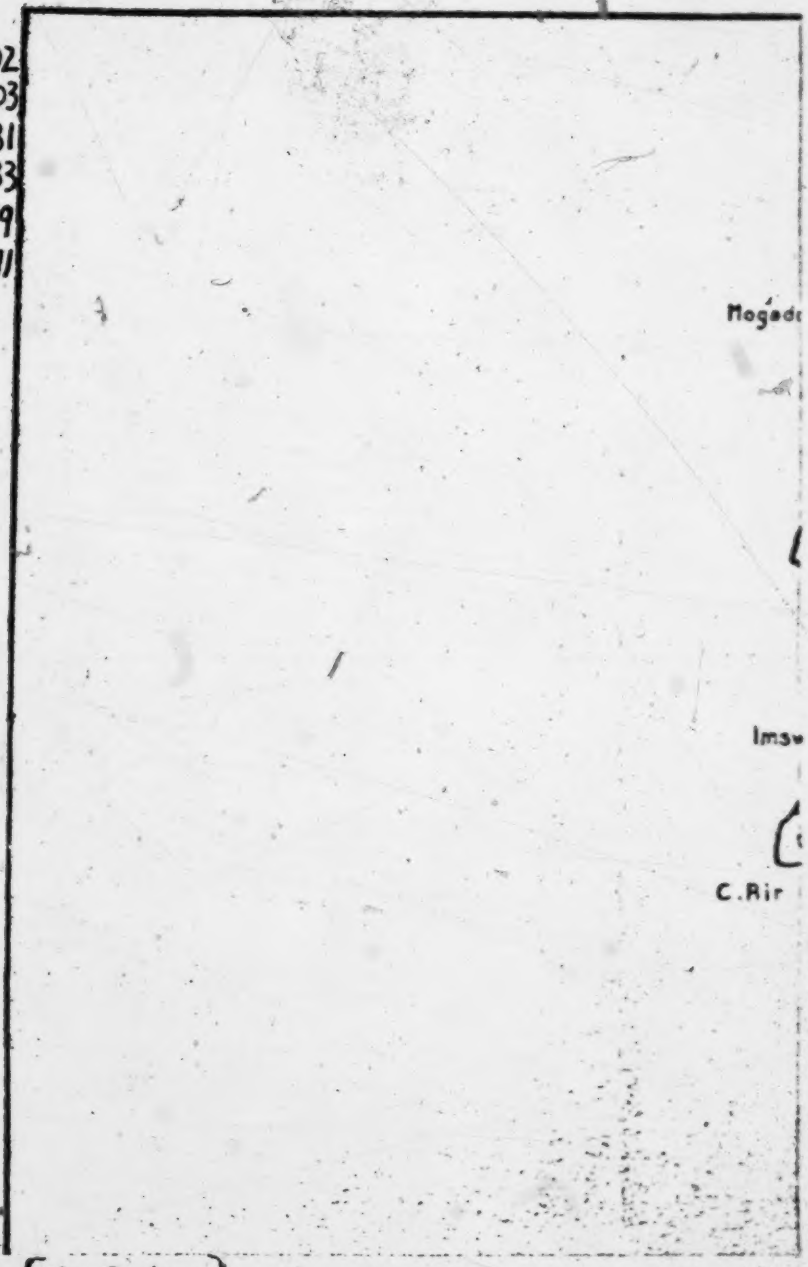


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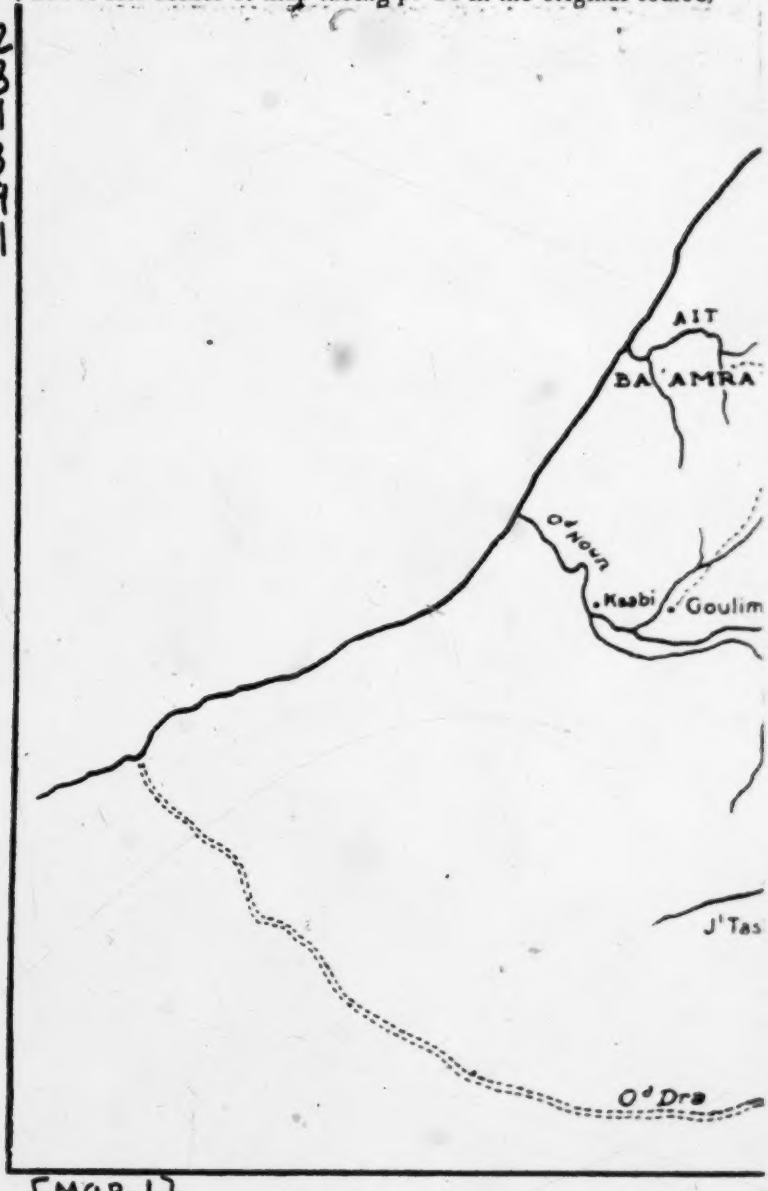


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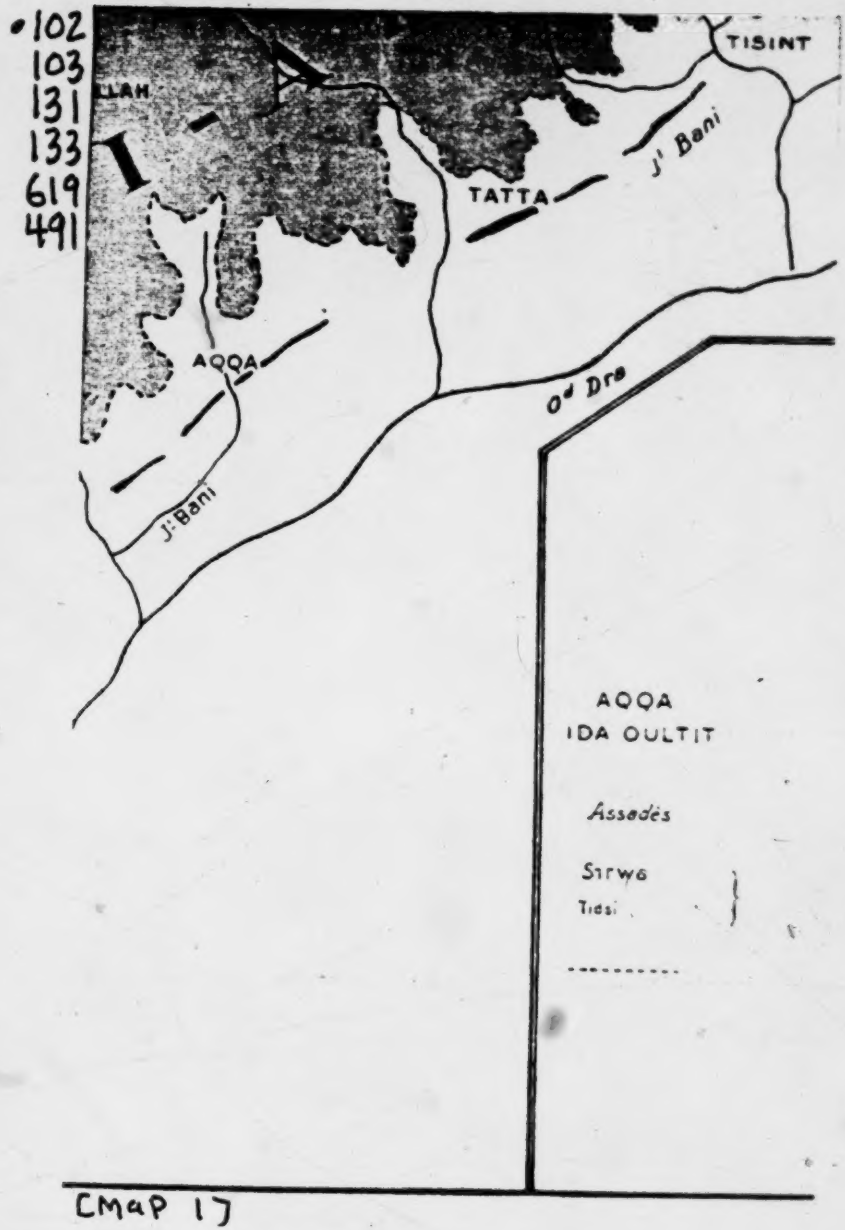


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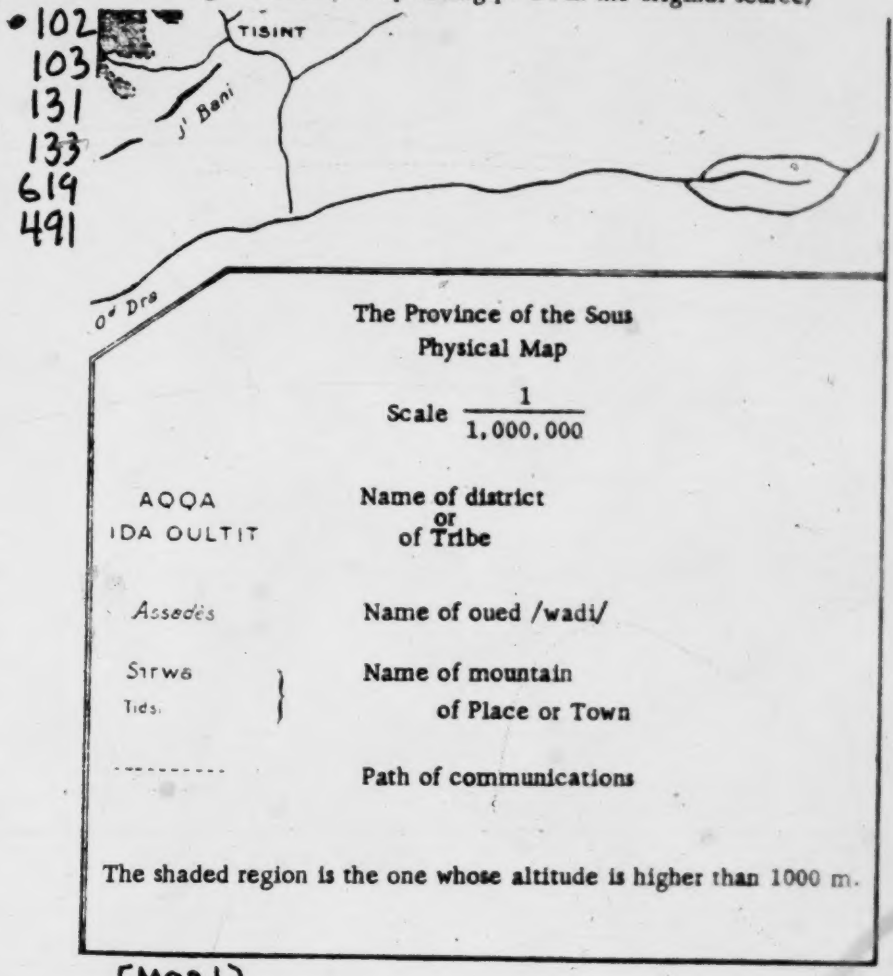


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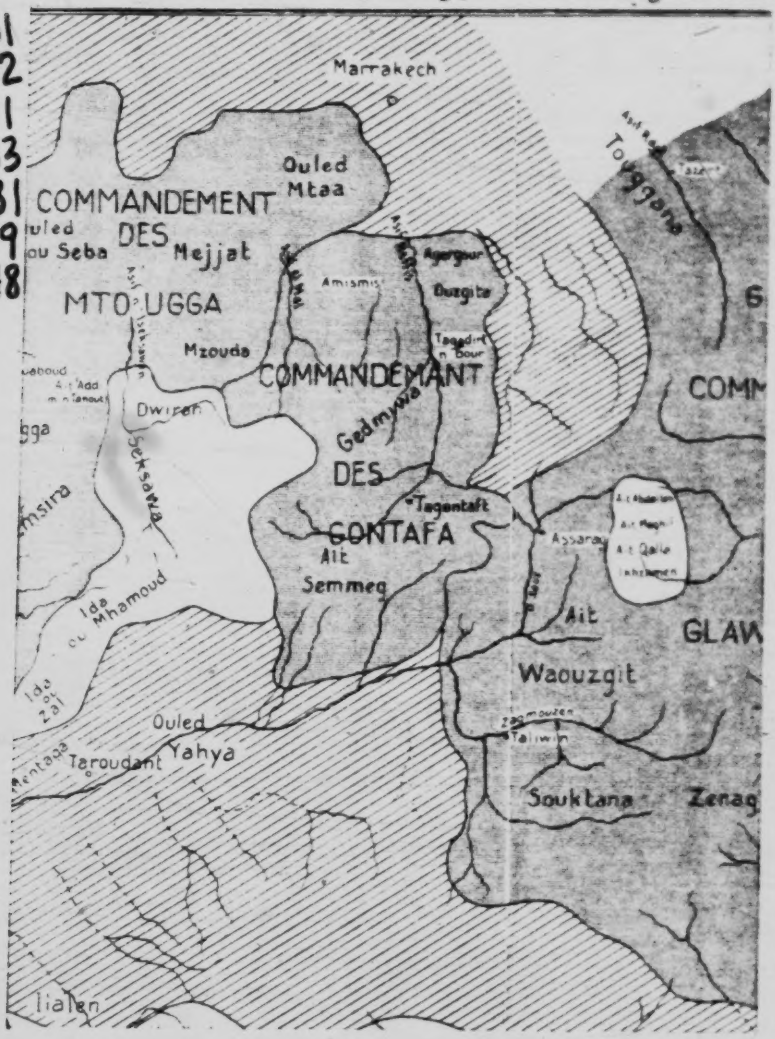

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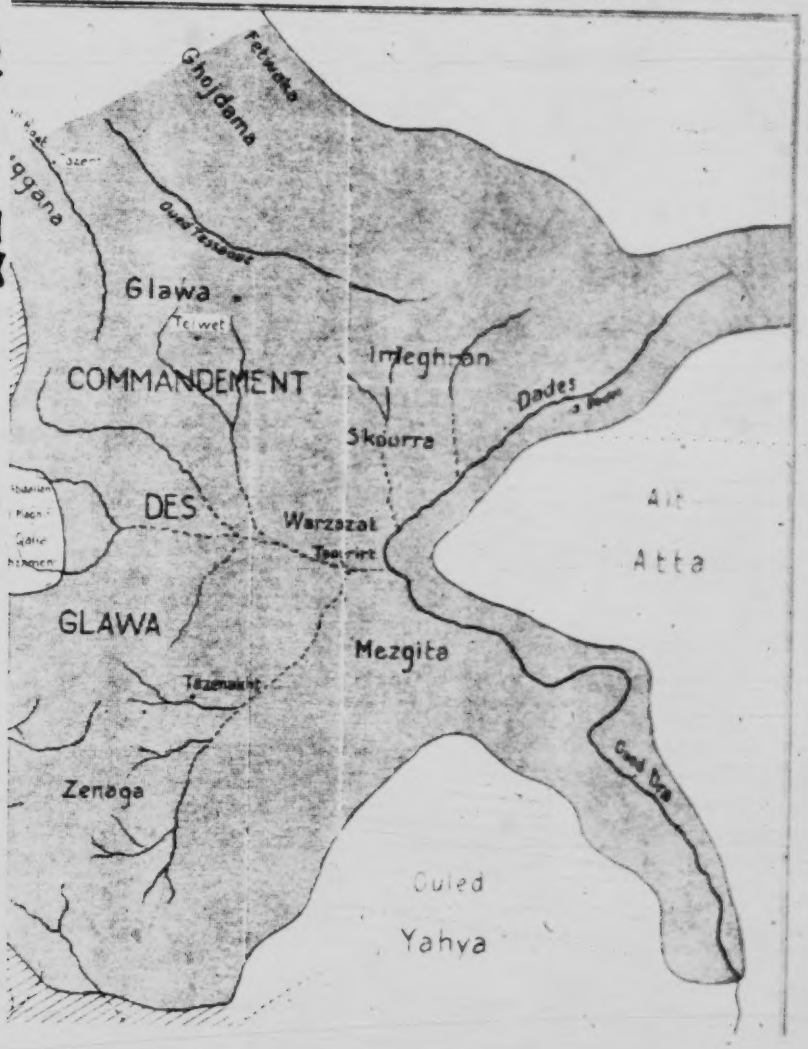

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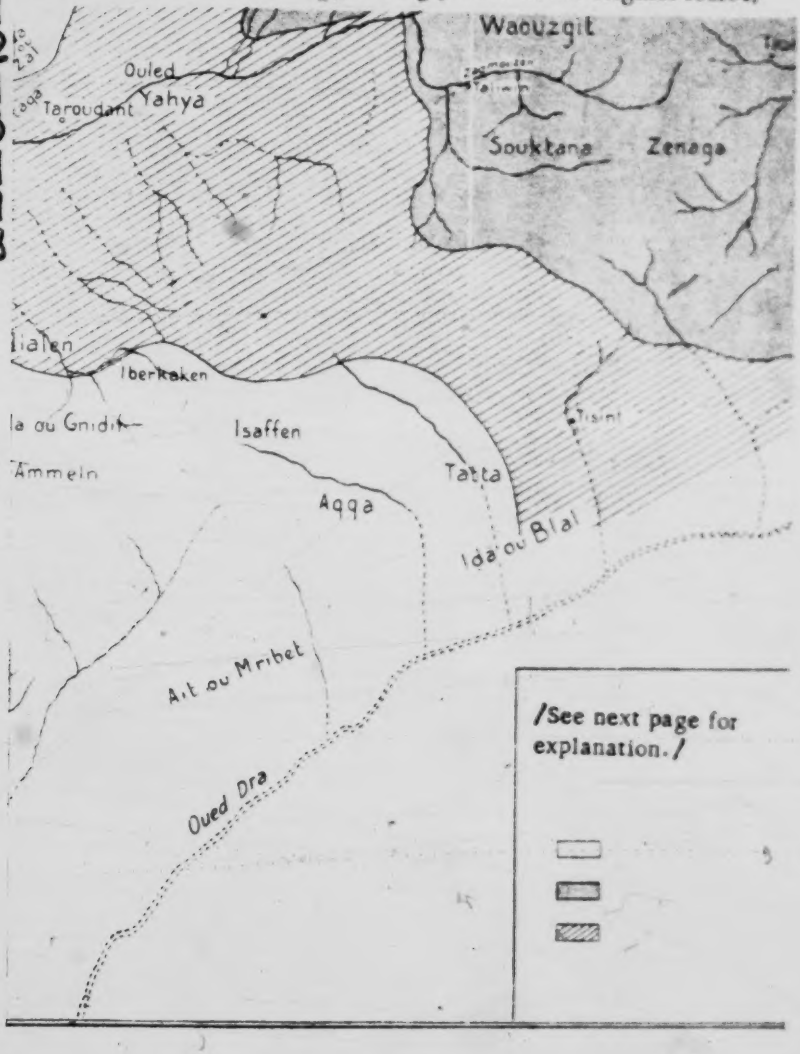

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The Great Political Divisions of the Moroccan South
(Haut Atlas, Plain of the Sous, Anti Atlas, Dra)

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Territory of the independent or autonomous Republics.

Commands /Commandements/ of the Great Kaids: Mtouggi, Gontafi, Glawi

Zone of direct administration by the Makhzen (Minor Kaids and Sheiks).

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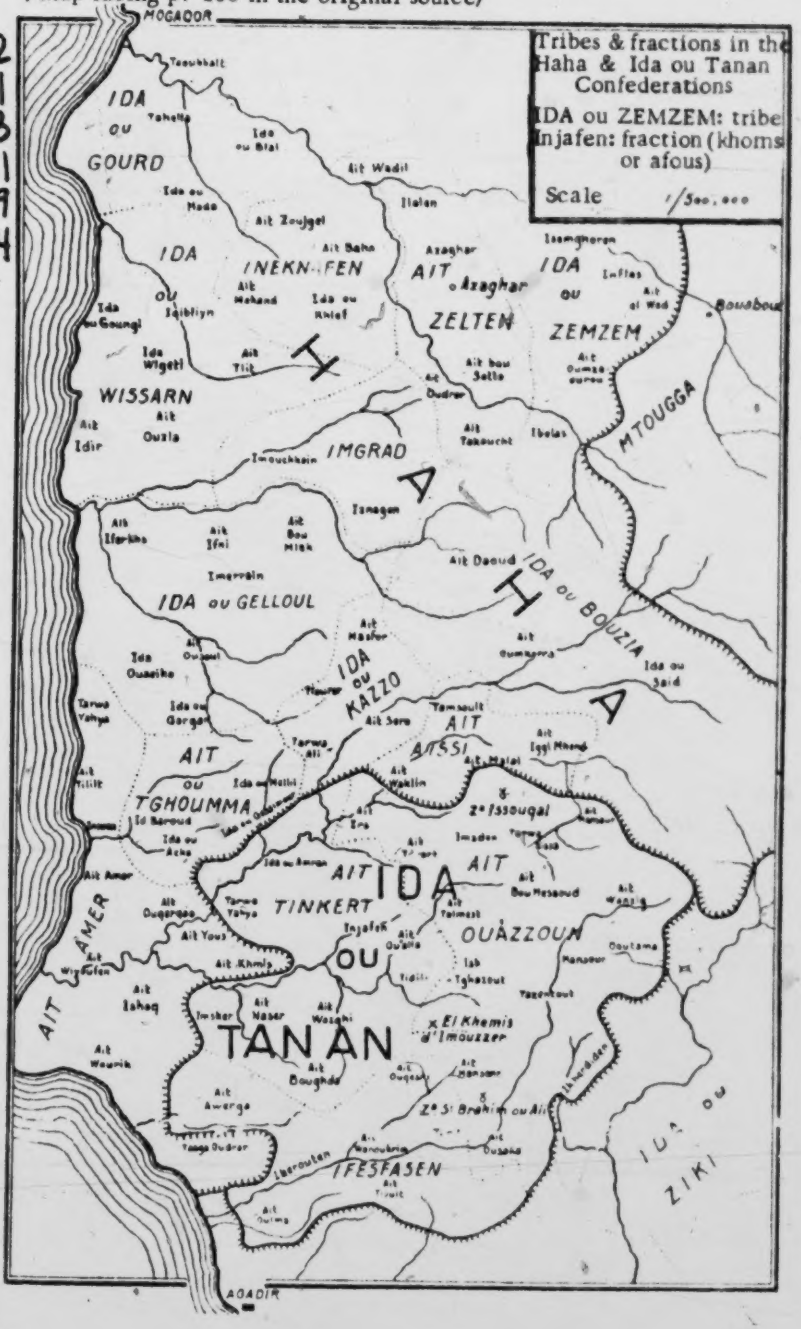

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Aspect of the leffs
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2: Montagne--262 E-5 (c.1921-1928) 1930 MW11 Shlub MW11

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Aspect of the leffs
in a part of the Haut Atlas, of the Sirwa, and of the Anti Atlas

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Zone 1. Region peopled by Arab tribes who do not have stable leffs

Zone 2. Region of the leffs of the western Atlas (Ait Atman, Ait Iraten (Asif Nefis); Indghertit Imsifern (Seksawa, Gedmiwa); Ait Fademt Ait Tzeggout (Ouzgita of the Kik, Gheghaya, Ourika); Ait Zolit Ida ou Zeddagh (So. versant of the Haut Atlas)

Zone 3. Region of the leffs of the Ait Waouzgit and of the Glaoua (Inemzel . . . . . ; Ait Iraten . . . . . )

Zone 4. Region of the leffs of the Anti Atlas (Isouktan . . . . . ; Igezzoulen . . . . . )

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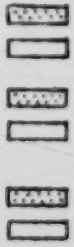

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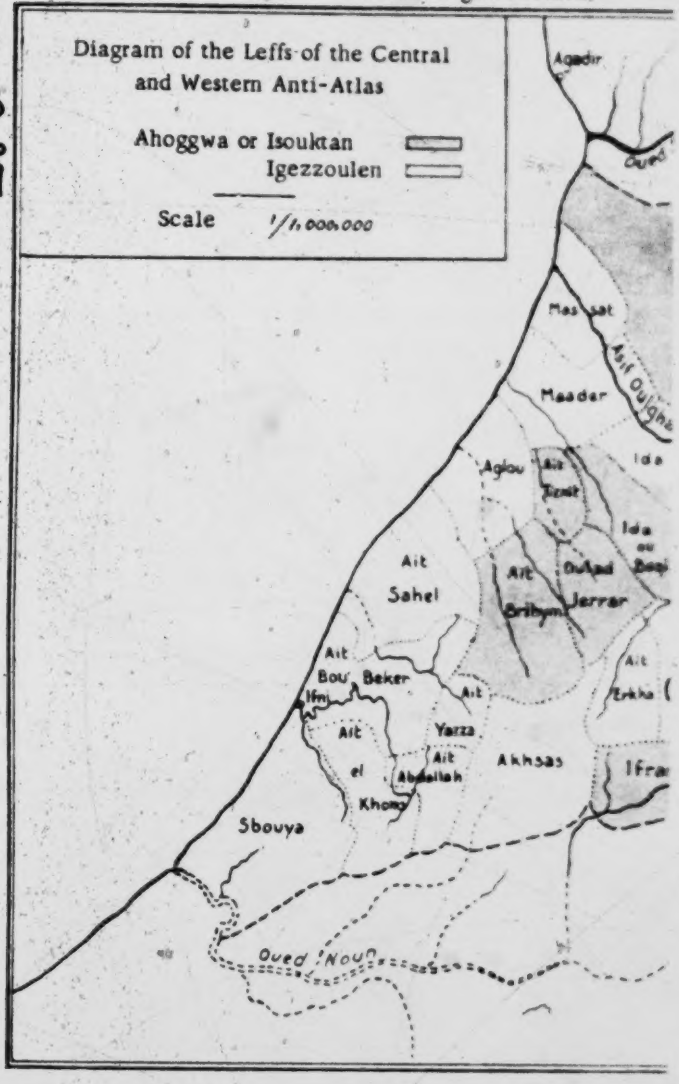

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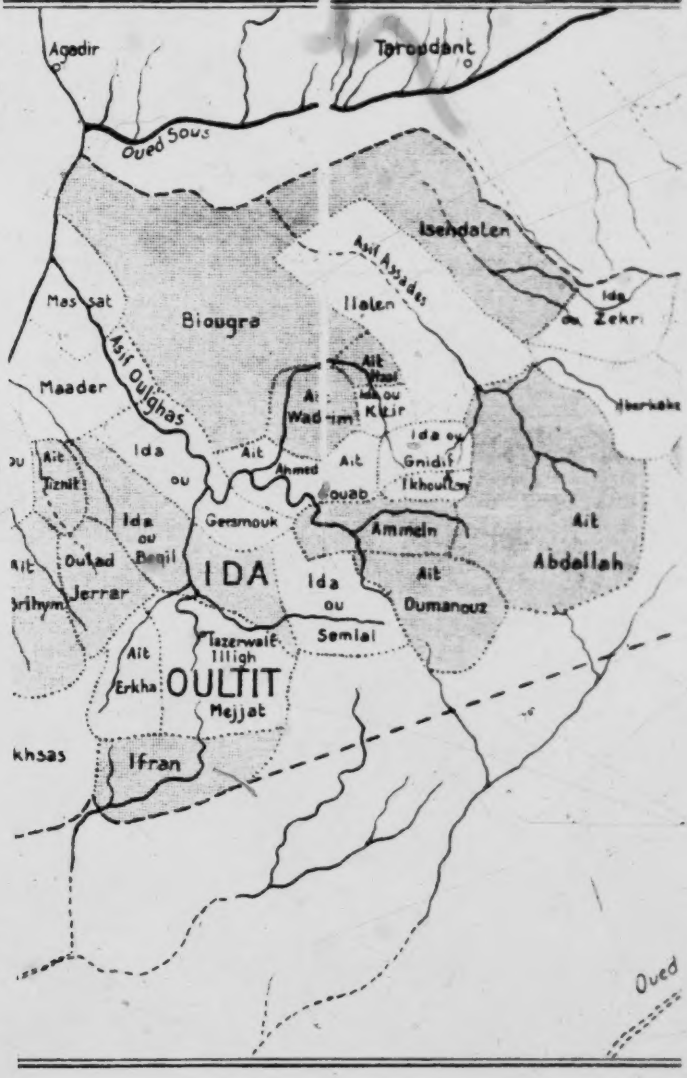

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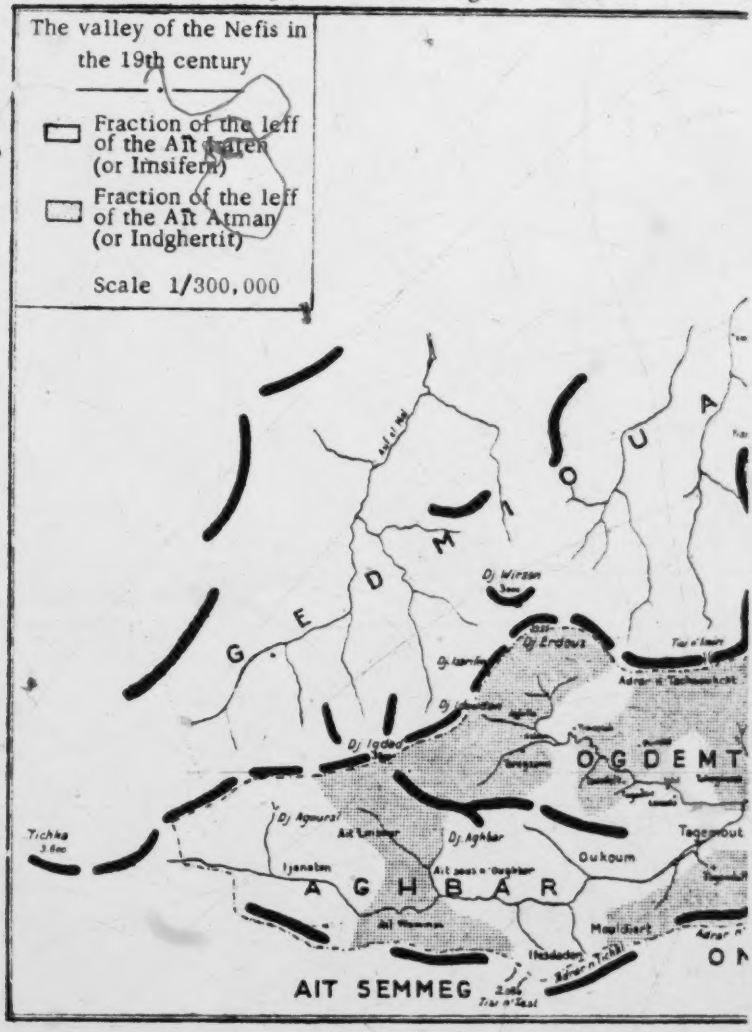

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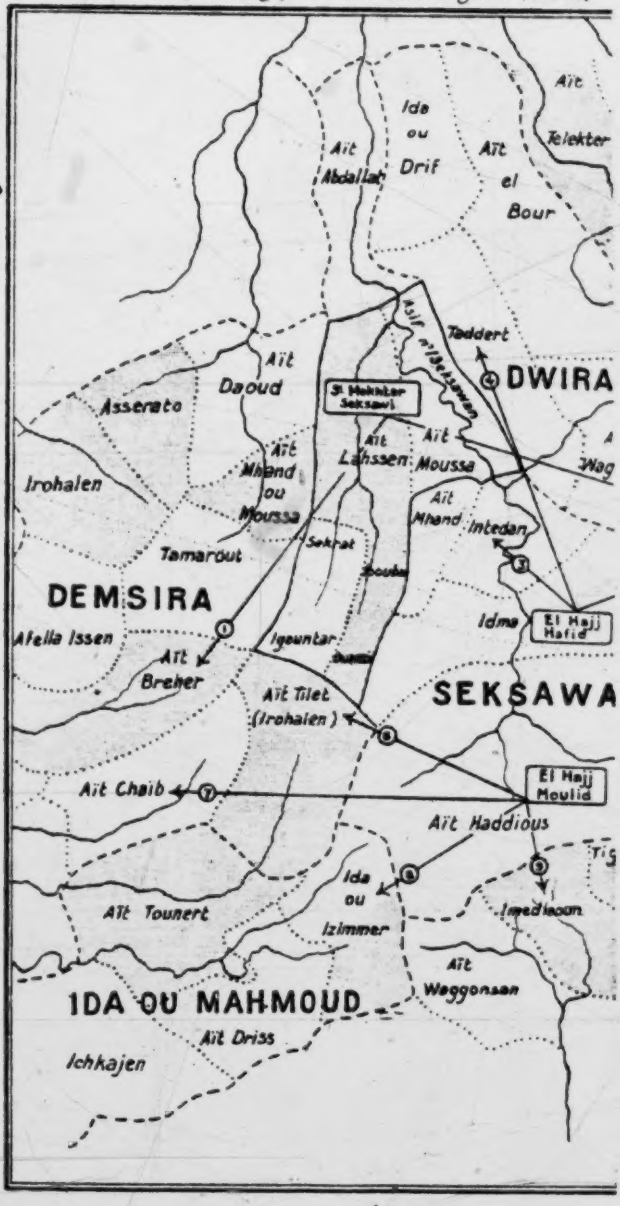

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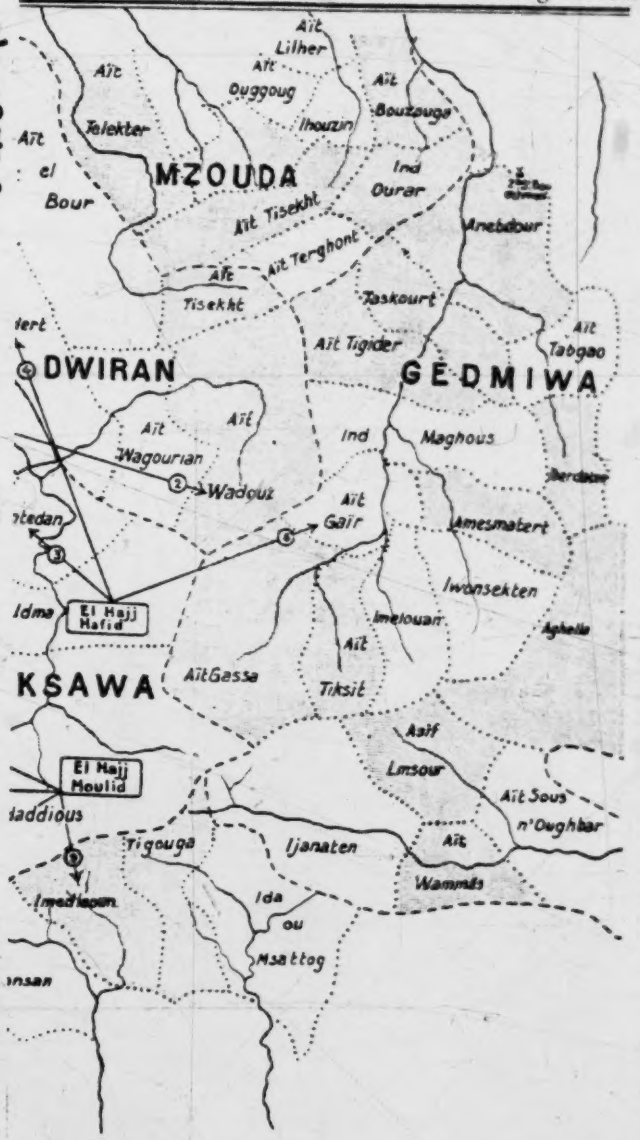

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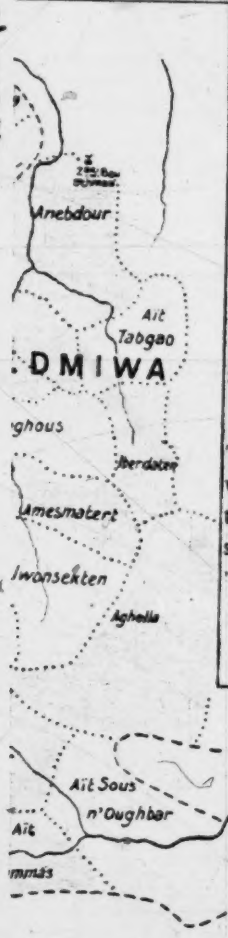


The Region of the
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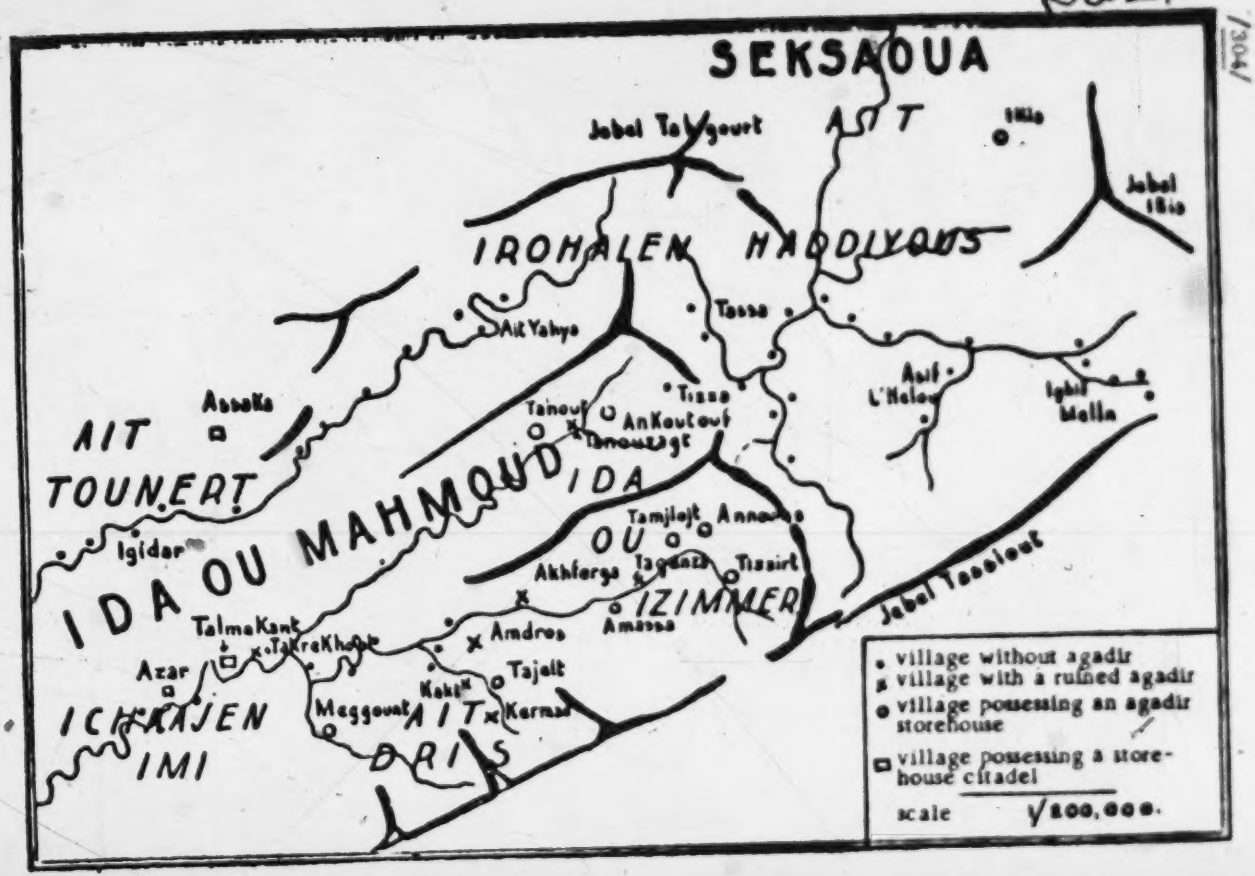


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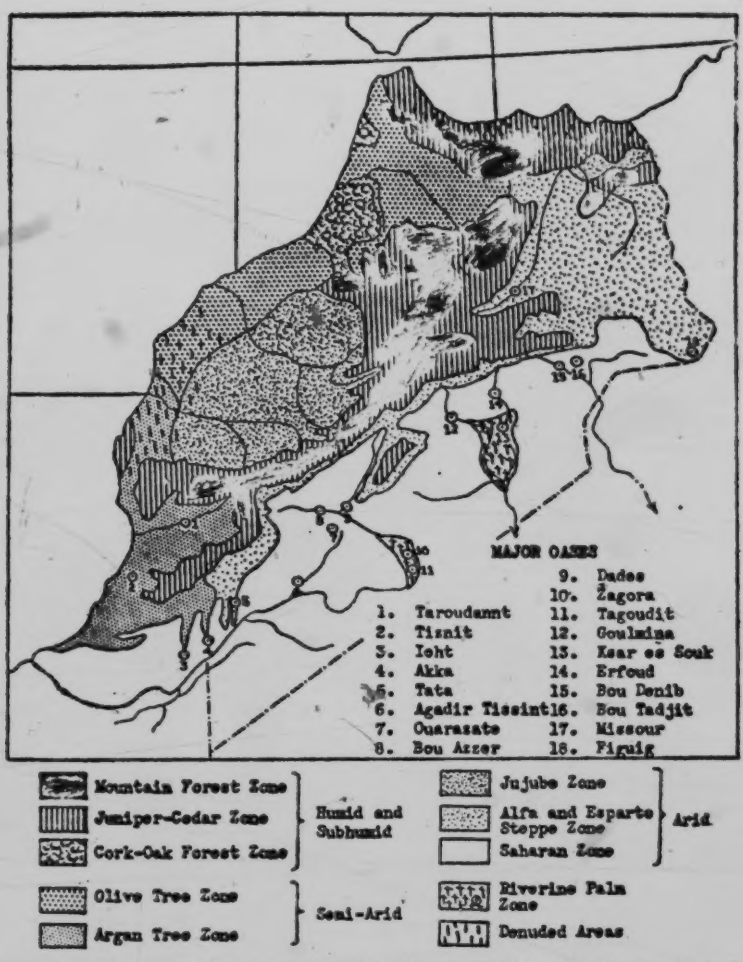


Fig. 2. Life-Zones of Morocco. Revised from Grandidier (1943, Map V) and Joly (1948, Fig. 28).

storehouses (*tighremt* or *agadir*). The pattern varies considerably, however, depending upon the local environmental conditions. In the high mountains, specifically in the juniper-cedar and mountain forest life zones, where relatively low temperatures and high rainfall occur, such groups as the Seksqoua (see No. 559, map: *Tribes of Morocco*), Mesfious (594), Ait Quaouzouit (626-645), Ida ou

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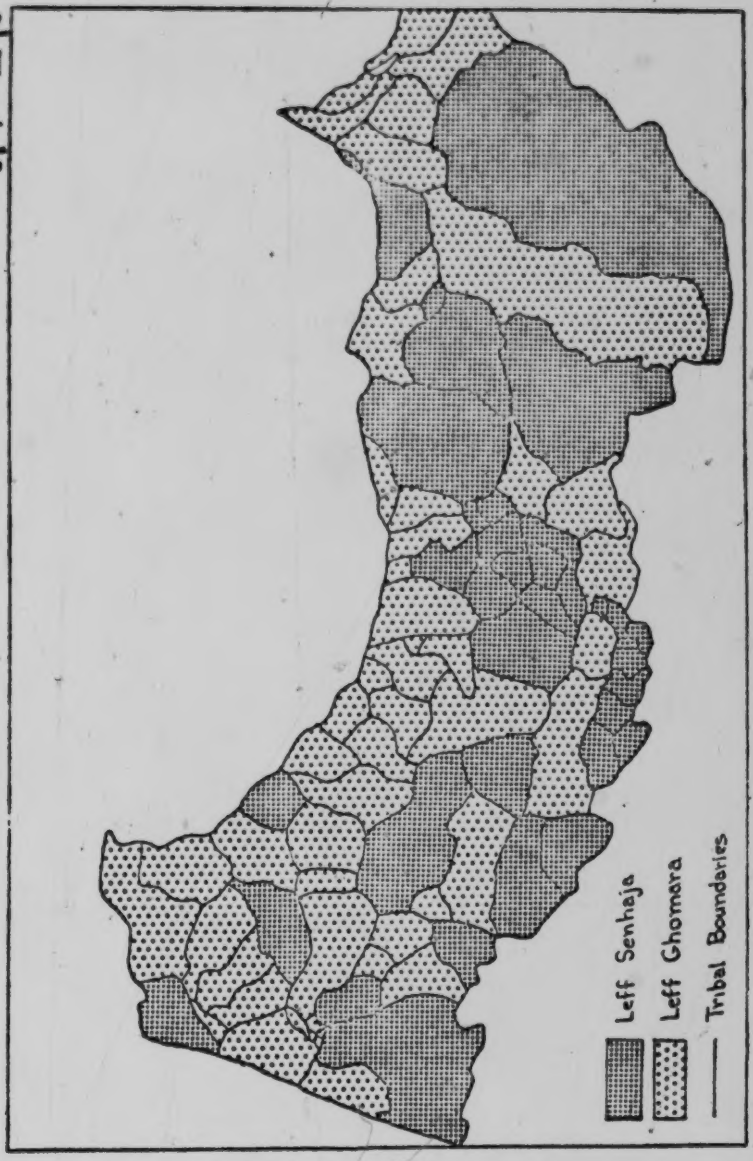


Fig. 7. The *Leff* Structure of Northern Morocco, Redrawn from Montagne (1930, map opp. p. 208).